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EASY-OPEN END AND LAMINATED STEEL SHEET

RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents March 16, 2009 P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Non-final Official Action mailed October 14, 2008, please refer to the following remarks:

Listing of the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

An $\mbox{\bf Appendix}$ is attached which follows the signature page of this paper.